

REMARKS

Review and reconsideration of the Advisory Action dated January 16, 2007, the Final Office Action dated October 03, 2006, and entry of present Amendment C is respectfully requested.

First, Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for the courtesy shown during the telephone interview of January 11, 2007. In addition, Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for her helpful comments regarding the claims.

STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

The undersigned agreed with the interview summary issued by the Examiner on January 16, 2007.

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Claims 1-28 have been cancelled. Claims 29-35 have been added. Support for new Claims 29-35 can be found on cancelled Claims 26-28 and page 8, lines 12-17, of the specification as originally filed.

Claims 29-35 are directed to a cosmetic method for the treatment of wrinkles, which requires applying to a person having wrinkles, an effective amount of a composition comprising as an active ingredient, one or more rhamnolipids of Formula I (claim 29); the composition is applied from 1-3 times per day to the wrinkled areas (Claim 32); the composition further comprises one or more cosmetic carriers and/or diluents (Claim 34); the rhamnolipid is administered in an amount averaging from about 0.01 to about 1.0 % weight over a period of at least one day to six weeks (Claim 35).

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No new matter has been added to the Claims by the present amendment.

Applicant believes that the present set of Claims is novel and not obvious over the cited references.

The present set of Claims requires administration of the rhamnolipid of Formula I for the cosmetic treatment of wrinkles to a **person having wrinkles**.

Piljac et al. US Patents '232 is directed to dermatological diseases (Column 1, lines 5-9; Column 1, lines 20-25; Column 4, lines 18-25; and the Claims).

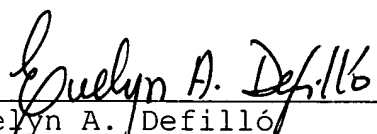
Piljac et al. US Patents '675 is directed to autoimmune diseases (Abstract, Column 1, lines 11-15; Column 1, line 65 to Column 2, line 8; through the entire specification and the Claims).

The cited references fail to teach applying the composition to a person having wrinkles.

Favorable consideration and early issuance of the Notice of Allowance are respectfully requested. Should further issues remain prior to allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the indicated telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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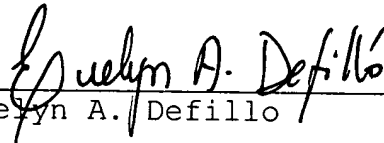
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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that the foregoing AMENDMENT C, for U.S. Application No. 09/644,984 filed August 24, 2000, was deposited in first class U.S. mail, with sufficient postage, addressed to: Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on February 02, 2007.



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